

**AMENDMENT TO H.R. 2419, AS REPORTED
OFFERED BY MR. COOPER OF TENNESSEE, MR.
MCGOVERN OF MASSACHUSETTS, AND MR.
DUNCAN OF TENNESSEE**

At the end of the bill, insert the following new title:

1 TITLE XII—CROP INSURANCE

2 SEC. 1201. CONTROLLING CROP INSURANCE PROGRAM

3 COSTS.

4 (a) ADMINISTRATIVE FEE FOR CATASTROPHIC RISK
5 PROTECTION.—Section 508(b)(5) of the Federal Crop In-
6 surance Act (7 U.S.C. 1508(b)(5)) is amended by striking
7 subparagraph (A) and inserting the following:

8 “(A) BASIC FEE.—

9 “(i) IN GENERAL.—Except as pro-
10 vided in clause (ii), each producer shall pay
11 an administrative fee for catastrophic risk
12 protection in an amount which is, as deter-
13 mined by the Corporation, equal to 25 per-
14 cent of the premium amount for cata-
15 strophic risk protection established under
16 subsection (d)(2)(A) per crop per county.

17 “(ii) MAXIMUM AMOUNT.—The total
18 amount of administrative fees for cata-

1 strophic risk protection payable by a pro-
2 ducer under clause (i) shall not exceed
3 \$5,000 for all crops in all counties.”.

4 (b) PAYMENT OF PORTION OF PREMIUM BY COR-
5 PORATION.—Section 508(e)(2) of the Federal Crop Insur-
6 ance Act (7 U.S.C. 1508(e)(2)) is amended—

7 (1) in subparagraph (B)(i), by striking “67 per-
8 cent” and inserting “62 percent”;

9 (2) in subparagraph (C)(i), by striking “64 per-
10 cent” and inserting “59 percent”;

11 (3) in subparagraph (D)(i), by striking “59 per-
12 cent” and inserting “54 percent”;

13 (4) in subparagraph (E)(i), by striking “55 per-
14 cent” and inserting “53 percent”;

15 (5) in subparagraph (F)(i), by striking “48 per-
16 cent” and inserting “46 percent”; and

17 (6) in subparagraph (G)(i), by striking “38 per-
18 cent” and inserting “36 percent”.

19 (c) REDUCTION IN PORTION OF THE PREMIUM PAID
20 BY THE CORPORATION.—Section 508(e) of the Federal
21 Crop Insurance Act (7 U.S.C. 1508(k)(3)) is amended by
22 adding at the end the following:

23 “(6) PREMIUM PAYMENT INCENTIVE.—The
24 Corporation may increase payment of a part of the
25 premium from the amounts provided under sub-

1 section (e)(2) by not more than 5 percent for a pol-
2 icy or plan of insurance that is not based on indi-
3 vidual yield to provide an additional incentive to cre-
4 ate broader use of such policies.”.

5 (d) SHARE OF RISK.—Section 508(k)(3) of the Fed-
6 eral Crop Insurance Act (7 U.S.C. 1508(k)(3)) is amended
7 by striking paragraph (3) and inserting the following:

8 “(3) SHARE OF RISK.—The reinsurance agree-
9 ments of the Corporation with the reinsured compa-
10 nies shall require the reinsured companies to cede to
11 the Corporation 30 percent of its cumulative under-
12 writing gain or loss.”.

13 (e) REIMBURSEMENT RATE.—Section 508(k)(4)(A)
14 of the Federal Crop Insurance Act (7 U.S.C.
15 1508(k)(4)(A)) is amended by striking clause (ii) and in-
16 serting the following:

17 “(ii) for each of the 2008 and subse-
18 quent reinsurance years, 15 percent of the
19 premium used to define loss ratio.”.

20 **SEC. 1202. CROP INSURANCE PROGRAM COMPLIANCE.**

21 Section 522(e)(3) of the Federal Crop Insurance Act
22 (7 U.S.C. 1522(e)(3)) is amended by striking “the Cor-
23 poration may use” through the end of the paragraph and
24 inserting the following: “the Corporation may use—”

1 “(A) not more than \$10,000,000 for each
2 fiscal year to improve program integrity, such
3 as

4 “(i) increasing the number of compli-
5 ance personnel;

6 “(ii) increasing compliance related
7 training;

8 “(iii) improving analysis tools and
9 technology related to compliance;

10 “(iv) identifying, utilizing, and ex-
11 panding innovative compliance strategies
12 and technology; and

13 “(v) developing and maintaining the
14 information management system developed
15 pursuant to section 10706(b) of the Farm
16 Security and Rural Investment Act of
17 2002 (7 U.S.C. 8002(b)); and

18 “(B) any excess amounts to carry out
19 other activities authorized under this section.”.

20 **SEC. 1203. REAUTHORIZATION OF, AND INCREASED EN-**
21 **ROLLMENT AUTHORITY FOR GRASSLAND RE-**
22 **SERVE PROGRAM.**

23 (a) **EXTENSION AND FUNDING.**—Section 1241(a) of
24 the Food Security Act of 1985 (16 U.S.C. 3841(a)) is

1 amended by striking paragraph (5) and inserting the fol-
2 lowing new paragraph:

3 “(5) For each of fiscal years 2002 through
4 2013, the grassland reserve program under sub
5 chapter C of chapter 2.”.

6 (b) ENROLLMENT GOALS.—Section 1238N(b)(1) of
7 the Food Security Act of 1985 (16 U.S.C. 3838N(b)(1))
8 is amended by striking “2,000,000 acres” and inserting
9 “5,000,000 acres”.

10 **SEC. 1204. INCREASING THE STANDARD DEDUCTION.**

11 Section (5)(e)(1) of the Food Stamp Act of 1977 (7
12 U.S.C. 2014(e)(1)) is amended—

13 (1) in subparagraph (A)(ii) by striking “not
14 less than \$134” and all that follows through the pe-
15 riod at the end, and inserting the following: “not
16 less than \$156, \$267, \$220, and \$137, respectively.
17 On October 1, 2008, and each October 1 thereafter,
18 such standard deduction shall be an amount that is
19 equal to the amount from the previous fiscal year
20 adjusted to the nearest lower dollar increment to re-
21 flect changes in the Consumer Price Index for All
22 Urban Consumers published by the Bureau of Labor
23 Statistics, for items other than food, for the 12
24 months ending the preceding June 30.”; and

(2) in subparagraph (B)(ii) by striking “not less than \$269.” and inserting the following: “not less than \$313. On October 1, 2008, and each October 1 thereafter, such standard deduction shall be an amount that is equal to the amount of the previous fiscal year adjusted to the nearest dollar increment to reflect changes in the Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers published by the Bureau of Labor Statistics, for items other than food, for the 12 months ending the preceding June 30.”.

**SEC. 1205. MCGOVERN-DOLE INTERNATIONAL FOOD FOR
EDUCATION AND CHILD NUTRITION PRO-
GRAM.**

(a) ADMINISTRATION OF PROGRAM.—Section 3107 of the Farm Security and Rural Investment Act of 2002 (7 U.S.C. 1736o-1) is amended—

(1) in subsection (d), in the matter preceding paragraph (1), by striking “The President shall designate 1 or more Federal agencies to” and inserting “The Secretary shall”;

(2) in subsection (f)(2), in the matter preceding subparagraph (A), by striking “implementing agency” and inserting “Secretary”; and

1 (3) in subsections (c)(2)(B), (f)(1), (h)(1) and
2 (2), and (i), by striking “President” each place it
3 appears and inserting “Secretary”.

4 (b) FUNDING.—Subsection (l) of such section is
5 amended—

6 (1) by striking paragraphs (1) and (2) and in-
7 serting the following:

8 “(1) USE OF COMMODITY CREDIT CORPORATION
9 FUNDS.—Of the funds of the Commodity Credit
10 Corporation, the Secretary shall use to carry out this
11 section—

12 “(A) \$140,000,000 for fiscal year 2008;

13 “(B) \$180,000,000 for fiscal year 2009;

14 “(C) \$220,000,000 for fiscal year 2010;

15 “(D) \$260,000,000 for fiscal year 2011;

16 and

17 “(E) \$300,000,000 for fiscal year 2012.”;

18 (2) by redesignating paragraph (3) as para-
19 graph (2); and

20 (3) in paragraph (2) (as redesignated by para-
21 graph (2)), by striking “any Federal agency imple-
22 menting or assisting” and inserting “the Depart-
23 ment of Agriculture or any other Federal depart-
24 ment or agency assisting”.

